

RESOLUTION NO. 2018196

RE: DISBANDING THE GREEN COLLAR JOBS TASK FORCE

Legislators PULVER and BOLNER offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Green Collar Jobs Task Force was formed by Resolution no. 208182 in June of 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dutchess County has been a Climate Smart Community since 2009 and is in the process of forming a Climate Smart Community Task Force, and

WHEREAS, this task force has not met since 2009 when it merged with the Dutchess Energy Alliance, and

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 208182 is hereby rescinded.

RESOLVED, that the Green Collar Jobs Task Force is hereby disbanded.

STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 9th day of July 2018, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 9th day of July 2018.

CAROLYN MORRIS, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Environment

RESOLUTION NO. 208182

RE: ESTABLISHING A GREEN COLLAR JOBS TASK FORCE TO FOSTER THE REDUCTION OF ENERGY USE IN DUTCHESS COUNTY BY FIFTEEN TO THIRTY PERCENT

Legislators TYNER, MANSFIELD, WASSELL, WEISS, NASH, and WHITE offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, according to the American Lung Association of New York State, there are over 39,000 people in Dutchess County with asthma, bronchitis, or emphysema, and Dutchess County received a "C" in air quality for the second year in a row; many county residents with lung disease receive Medicaid benefits, paid for by Dutchess County taxpayers; cleaning up local air quality can save money for all of us, and

WHEREAS, Dutchess County's average hourly concentration of ozone has been found to be much higher than even that of New York City's, according to a recent study conducted only several years ago at Millbrook's Institute of Ecosystem Studies and reported nationally, and

WHEREAS, the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts recently created the Cambridge Energy Alliance with the help of the Rocky Mountain Institute, Kendall Foundation, Barr Foundation, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard University, et. al. is making all its buildings more energy-efficient, fighting global warming, saving money, and creating jobs at the same time, predicted to save \$160 million for local residents there over the next ten years; Cambridge plans for this entrepreneurial effort to green its buildings to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by ten percent in just five years, the equivalent of taking 33,000 cars off the road, and

WHEREAS, the Cambridge Energy Alliance (CEA), a nonprofit group created by the city government there help clients cut their energy use fifteen to thirty percent, translating to lower utility bills; the CEA then helps clients secure loans to pay for the building retrofits, loans designed to pay themselves off by the savings on those utility bill; this effort is financed in large part from private sources, and

WHEREAS, Cambridge has put out a call for interested parties to serve on a Green Collar Jobs Task Force; this group will work with city staff over a period of approximately six to eight months to identify and carry out demand forecasting for the green collar jobs of the future; the group will also research training opportunities and possible partnerships with training and educational institutions; the group is expected to forward a series of recommendations to the City Manager in late fall of this year; representation is sought from the following groups, among others: construction trades, unions, energy services groups, training organizations, universities, local and state environmental groups and community groups; various city departments will also participate in this effort, including Workforce Development, Economic Development and Environmental & Transportation Planning, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Dutchess County Legislature appoints a **twelve-member** Green Collar Jobs Task Force from the private and public sector here in Dutchess County, **six** members to be appointed by the County Legislature Chair and Majority Leader, **six** members to be appointed by the Minority Leader, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Task Force meet publicly starting in July or sooner, accept public comment during those meetings, and co-sponsor with the County Legislature an open and public Dutchess County

RESOLVED, that this Task Force facilitate with the new Dutchess Energy Alliance local homeowners and businesses cutting energy use fifteen to thirty percent, translating into lower utility bills, helping homeowners and businesses secure loans to pay for building retrofits, those loans designed to pay themselves off by savings on utility bills, with no cost to Dutchess County taxpayers and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to our County Executive, our county's Economic Development Corporation, Planning Commissioner, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Environmental Management Council, Workforce Investment Board, Central Labor Council, CH Energy Group, Northern Dutchess Alliance, Sustainable Hudson Valley, Scenic Hudson, and Hudson River Sloop Clearwater.

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COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 11th day of June, 2008, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 11th day of June, 2008.


BARBARA HUGO, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE